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Sean McVay

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SEAN McVAY: You see the way that Pollard can run when he gets behind his pads, and he's obviously dynamic and explosive. Really pleased to be able to get the win. I thought a lot of guys contributed. That's where you can see the depth of our football team. We'll enjoy this. It will make for a fun flight home. And what a great challenge we have against Philly next week.

Q. (No microphone).

SEAN McVAY: Yeah, I think so. I think there's going to be some cool learning ops for us as well. We had a couple things in the red zone where want to be able to connect. But he had a bunch of good catch and runs. Makes another unbelievable catch on an end break when we're in a second down situation.

Thought the touchdown was big. We had him on a little double move in the fringe. Good late hands. I thought he was excellent today. I believe he went over 100, got his TD.

And Puka, what a stud. He's so critical in crunch time situations, whether it's the fourth and one with a 45-yard touchdown run. Well blocked play, he ends up breaking the tackle, the safety.

In the drive that we felt the game kind of opened up, two plays in a row to start, to lead to explosives, it was good. And then I was pleased with our team overall.

The answer is yes, Adam.

Q. (No microphone).

SEAN McVAY: They just say -- the way they got up. You know, that was buzzed down. That wasn't from anybody they were just being smart. He was on the ground a little longer than usual. Just erring on the side of safety and caution so he's good, though.

Q. (No microphone).

SEAN McVAY: He got his clavicle, he broke his clavicle. So it's unfortunate. A big loss. I thought Darius Williams made -- what a clutch breakup on the third down to get us off the grass. Forbes and Cobie continue to take steps in the right direction. I was really pleased with our defense. I thought it was awesome for D-Will to be ready. We said we've got four starting corners. I feel that way. I feel terrible for Ahkello. Love him. Such a bummer, but you do feel fortunate to have the depth where a guy D-Will can step up to supplement both Cobie and Forbes.

Q. (No microphone).

SEAN McVAY: Well, I think we've got a lot of work to do. I feel good we're 2-0, Gary. I'll look at the tape. We'll have a lot of things to correct. I thought the second half, you talk about being able to put it together on both sides, and then in the kicking game as well.

That felt like when you can put it all together what it can look like. Where you can be in control and command of the game. That felt like where we were midway in the third and into the fourth quarter. We've got a great challenge. We know what great atmosphere and environment, reigning champs. I think they play Kansas City later this afternoon. It will be fun to be able to watch it as long as the damn WiFi on the plane works. It better work.

Q. A big game for Stafford, (no microphone)?

SEAN McVAY: Mental toughness, resilience, experience. All the things that lead to great players being great. You show me a great player, I'll show you a guy that's consistently overcome adversity and setbacks.

It was a tough situation. I could have had a better -- I could have put him in a better spot. He never flinches. He was disappointed because of the spot he put our team in where you're down three points.

Talk about a guy doing what he can and doing the next right thing. He was in total command in the second half. I thought he threw the ball with great anticipation. They did a great job of being able to present different pressure looks. He found his guys and got the ball where he was



supposed to. I think it's almost good sometimes because of the way that he's capable of responding, but he's a total stud.

Q. (No microphone).

SEAN McVAY: He was awesome. That was much more alignment. I thought Ron did a great job. We've got two backs we feel good about and a guy in Jarquez Hunter that's only going to get better.

And you talk about good individual efforts by our rookies, by some younger players. I was pleased with Blake. Thought the gap run he had on the second down and 10 where he got through the back side A-gap, looked like he was going to come out clean. He's explosive. He's a good football player. I have a lot of trust in him, and we'll continue to see that moving forward. I thought it was good, Sarah.

Also want to give a shout out to Terrance Ferguson. What an individual play when we got the extra point blocked to not allow them to get two right there. You see the athleticism, be able to track that down. He's a guy we want to keep going. Higbee did a nice job today, as well as Davis Allen.

Q. (No microphone).

SEAN McVAY: I'll say that against this one too. What did you think.

Q. I agree.

SEAN McVAY: Same. I thought he took his game to the next level. I thought his pursuit. You see when Ward is able to extend plays, he's got the speed to track them down. He made the game-changing play where he forces the sack fumble. His presence, I think our outside back room, Jared does such a great job as well.

Those two guys impose their will, set edges in the run game, can create whether it's some of the movements or winning on individual rush situations.

Byron Young was outstanding able. It was cool to give him the game ball. He said it was the first one. I've shorted him a couple times. He's deserved it before in the locker room actually, instead of waiting until Monday when we do it.

Q. (No microphone).

SEAN McVAY: They did a good job. We weren't really getting through on the second level. Some of their

linebackers were fast over the top, and we were getting picked off and not really being able to get through.

They did a nice job. I thought we were able to loosen them up with things we were able to do to allow us to run the football more efficiently in the latter parts of the game.

Give them credit. They mix it up. Dennard does an excellent job of creating a bunch issues, that system in general. And they've got some really good football players across the front. A lot of the issues came up from us not being able to get through on some back side combinations, where their backers were free over the top.

Awesome. Thanks, guys.

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